



In re Patent Application of

KOIKE et al Atty. Ref.: 461-62

Serial No. 09/546,227 Group: 1754

Filed: April 10, 2000 Examiner: E. Johnson

For: A CERAMIC SUPPORT CAPABLE OF

SUPPORTING A CATALYST...

July 12, 2005

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

LETTER

In order to determine the status of the above-identified application which has been appealed and to ensure that the Appendices to the Brief filed on February 2, 2005 had been received by the Examiner, the undersigned contacted Examiner Edward Johnson on July 11, 2005. The Examiner indicated that he had received the missing Appendices to the Brief on March 7, 2005. The Appendices were resubmitted by Appellant on that date because they were not properly scanned in by the U.S. Patent Office with the previously filed Brief. Accordingly, the Examiner informed the undersigned that the appealed case is active and that the next action would be taken by the Examiner with respect to filing an Answer.

Respectfully Submitted

NIXON & VANDERHYE PC

By:

Chris Comuntzis

Reg. No. 31,097

CC:lmr 901 North Glebe Road, 11th Floor Arlington, VA 22203

Telephone: (703) 816-4000 Facsimile: (703) 816-4100